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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Michael Shin-San Su et al.  
Application No. : 09/642,749  
Confirmation No. : 1079  
Filed : August 18, 2000  
Group Art Unit : 1634  
Examiner : Frank W. Lu  
For : METHODS FOR DESIGNING INHIBITORS OF  
SERINE/THREONINE KINASES AND TYROSINE  
KINASES

New York, New York  
July 14, 2004

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This amendment supplements the December 15, 2003 Response to the July 14, 2003 Final Office Action filed, but not entered, in the above-identified application.

A Notice of Appeal was filed with the December 15, 2003 Response.

Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the time for filing an Appeal Brief or other paper, due without extension two (2) months, after the Notice of Appeal, by five (5) months, up to and including July 15, 2004, and have paid the required fee [37

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C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(5)]. This Supplemental Response and Amendment is therefore timely filed.

Applicants thank Examiners Forman and Lu for their explanations of the pending rejections and suggestions during the June 30, 2004 telephonic interview with applicants' attorney. Consistent with the discussions during the telephonic interview, applicants file this Supplemental Response and Amendment to address the issues raised in the March 1, 2004 Advisory Action (hereinafter "Advisory Action"). The Examiner indicated during the interview that he would be willing to consider such Supplemental Amendment, even after Final.

Applicants make the following claim amendments - - claims 11 and 12 are combined, omitting the functional language which is no longer required because the claims are directed to specific sequences; the dependency of claim 13 is changed; and claims 10 and 23 are cancelled, without prejudice. All of these amendments were discussed during the interview. The specific amendments to claim 11 were also discussed with Examiner Lu on July 13-14, 2004.

These amendments obviate all of the pending rejections and place this application in condition for allowance. They do not introduce any new matter. In addition, none of the amendments raises new issues that would require further examination or search. In view of these amendments, applicants request that this application be allowed with two claims, amended claims 11 and 13. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper. Because the December 15, 2003 Response to the July 14, 2003 Final Office

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Action was not entered, these amendments refer to the claims as they were pending  
before the December 15, 2003 Response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.